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C O N F I D E N T I A L BEIRUT 1388

DELIVER TO NEA/ARN/DRAPEO AT OPENING OF BUSINESS

E.O. 11652: GDS

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SUBJECT: 0900 LEBANON REPORT

1. PRESS SPECULATION CONTINUES ON POLITICAL AGREEMENT
AND ITS ANNOUNCEMENT TOMORROW. FROM OUR OWN SOURCES
WE KNOW LONG DOCUMENT EXISTS, BUT PARTS OF IT MAY
STILL BE UNDER NEGOTIATION. IT IS PROBABLE, THOUGH
NOT ABSOLUTELY SURE, THAT PRESIDENT FRANGIE WILL
ANNOUNCE SOME OF THE POINTS OF THE AGREEMENT
AT SPECIAL CABINET MEETING TOMORROW.

2. SECURITY SITUATION IN ZAHLE REPORTED TENSE BUT
QUIET AND AN EYE WITNESS ACCOUNT DESCRIBES SITUATION
IN TRIPOLI IN SIMILAR MANNER. ARMY REPORTS SOME
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ROADS IN THE ACCAR ARE UNSAFE AND MAIN ROAD TO

MARJYOUN IN THE SOUTH ALSO REPORTED AS UNSAFE.

3. BANKS OPENED YESTERDAY ON SCHEDULE. CONTRARY TO EXPECTATION, THERE WAS ONLY MODEST ACTIVITY AND NO INDICATION AT ALL OF ANY RUN ON THE STRONGLY-BACKED LEBANESE POUND.

4. DISTURBING SIGNS CONTINUE TO APPEAR LOCALLY OF IRAQI-SYRIAN FRICTION AND EGYPTIAN-SYRIAN FRICTION, ON A "GOVERNMENTAL" LEVEL AND, OF REJECTIONIST-SAIQA FRICTION AND INCIPIENT FATAH-SAIQA FRICTION, ON A "PALESTINIAN" LEVEL.
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